

# PEONIES

Standard 3 to 5 eye divisions from young plants not over three years old. We do not cut flowers from our fields, so you can depend upon receiving strong healthy plants. Foliage kept healthy throughout the summer by frequent spraying.

\*Varieties marked with an asterisk (\*) are recommended for cut-flowers.

Shipments will begin early in September.

	<u>Per 10</u>	<u>Per 100</u>
<u>Avalanche</u> . Blush white, late midseason. . . . .	4.50	40.00
* <u>Baroness Schroeder</u> . Flesh-pink, midseason . . . . .	5.00	45.00
<u>Benjamin Franklin</u> . Dark crimson, midseason. . . . .	4.50	40.00
* <u>Edulis Superba</u> . Deep pink, very early . . . . .	3.50	30.00
* <u>Felix Crousse</u> . Bright rosy-red, late midseason. . . . .	4.50	40.00
* <u>Festiva Maxima</u> . White flecked crimson, early. . . . .	4.50	40.00
* <u>Fontenelle</u> . Dark red, midseason . . . . .	4.50	40.00
<u>Frances Willard</u> . Blush-white, late midseason. . . . .	5.00	45.00
* <u>Karl Rosenfield</u> . Bright crimson, midseason. . . . .	5.00	45.00
<u>Longfellow</u> . Bright crimson, midseason . . . . .	5.00	45.00
* <u>Mary Brand</u> . Crimson, midseason . . . . .	5.50	50.00
<u>Mme. Calot</u> . Rose-pink, dark center, early . . . . .	4.00	35.00
* <u>Mme. de Verneville</u> . White, flecked crimson, early . . . . .	4.50	40.00
* <u>Mons. Jules Elie</u> . Light pink, early . . . . .	5.00	45.00
<u>Octavie Demay</u> . Old-rose pink, early . . . . .	3.50	30.00
<u>Tourangelle</u> . Pale cream-white, late . . . . .	5.00	45.00

THE WILLIS NURSERY COMPANY

Ottawa, Kansas

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# FALL BULBS

HYACINTHS	Per 100	Per 1000	TULIPS (Peony fl) Cont.	Per 100	Per 1000
15-16 cm	9.50	90.00	Indian Feathers. White feathered		
Bismarck. Light skyblue			red. 12 cm	6.50	60.00
City of Haarlem. Golden yellow			Mount Tacoma. White		
King of the Blues. Dark blue			12 cm	6.50	60.00
Lady Derby. Light pink			Symphonia. Rosy-carmine		
La Victoire. Carmine red			12 cm	6.50	60.00
L'Innocence. Pure white			Uncle Tom. Dark red		
TULIPS (Double early)			12 cm	8.50	80.00
Electra. Deep carmine			TULIPS (Parrot)		
11-12 cm	5.50	50.00	Black Parrot. Maroon-black		
Mr. Van der Hoeft. Golden yellow			12 cm	9.50	90.00
11-12 cm	5.00	45.00	Blue Parrot. Bluish heliotrope		
Peach Blossom. Deep pink			12 cm	7.50	70.00
11-12 cm	5.50	50.00	Fantasy. Rose with green streaks		
Schoonoord. Snow-white			12 cm	6.50	60.00
11-12 cm	5.50	50.00	Orange Favorite. Orange, green		
TULIPS (Darwin)			blotches. 12 cm	6.50	60.00
Bartigon. Crimson red			Sunshine. Bright yellow		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	11-12 cm	8.00	75.00
City of Haarlem. Brilliant scarlet			Therese. Rose-scarlet		
12 cm	7.50	70.00	12 cm	6.50	60.00
Clara Butt. Salmon rosy pink			TULIPA SPECIES		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	Red Emperor. Brilliant scarlet,		
Eclipse. Blood red 12 cm	7.00	65.00	immense flower. Very early.		
Farncombe sanders. Rose scarlet			11-12 cm	7.50	70.00
12 cm	5.00	45.00	NARCISSUS (DAFFODILS) All Double Nose		
Golden Age. Golden yellow			King Alfred. Clear yellow trumpet		
12 cm	7.00	65.00	Best-known Daffodil	6.50	60.00
Insurpassable. Lilac			Mrs. E. H. Krelage. One of the fin-		
12 cm	6.50	60.00	est white Daffodils.	7.00	65.00
La Tulip Noire (The Black Tulip)			Music Hall. Yellow trumpet, white		
12 cm	6.00	55.00	perianth	8.50	80.00
Pride of Haarlem. Cerise			DAFFODILS (Short Cup)		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	Orange Glow. Sulphur-yellow perianth		
Princess Elizabeth. Rosy pink			dark orange cup	7.00	65.00
12 cm	5.00	45.00	Sunset. Dark yellow perianth, deep		
The Bishop. Violet blue.			scarlet-orange cup	5.50	50.00
12 cm	6.50	60.00	DAFFODILS (Poetaz)		
William Pitt. Scarlet.			Geranium. Round flat white perianth,		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	deep orange-red cup.	5.50	50.00
Zwanenburg. White			DAFFODILS (Double)		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	Cheerfulness. White perianth, double		
TULIPS (May flowering)			center of white and yellow, 2 to 4		
Carrara. Pure white 12 cm	5.00	45.00	flowers on a stem.	5.00	45.00
Golden Harvest. Lemon-yellow			Inglescombe. Fully double, soft		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	yellow	7.00	65.00
Pride of Holland. Yellow bordered red			CROCUS (Spring flowering)		
12 cm	5.00	45.00	Blue. 9-10 cm	3.50	30.00
Scarlet Glory. Vermilion			Purple. 9-10 cm	3.50	30.00
12 cm	5.50	50.00	Striped. 9-10 cm	3.50	30.00
TULIPS (Peony flowering)			White. 9-10 cm	4.50	40.00
Arizona. Carmine with yellow edge			Yellow. 9-10 cm	5.00	45.00
12 cm	6.00	55.00	Mixed (All colors) 7-8 cm	2.50	22.00
Eros. Old Rose 12 cm	7.00	65.00			



MISC & ROCK GARDEN BULBS	Per 100	Per 1000	MISC. BULBS (cont.)	Per 100	Per 1000
Chionodoxa (Glory of the Snow)			Muscari Armeniacum (Grape Hyacinths)		
Lucilliae. Top size.	2.00	18.00	9-10 cm	2.50	20.00
Galanthus Nivalis simplex (Single Snowdrops) Top size.	4.50	40.00	Scilla Sibirica (Squill) Top size.	4.00	35.00

#### DUTCH WOODEN SHOES

We have recently received direct from Holland, a good supply of genuine Dutch wooden shoes in many sizes. You can use these in many ways to promote the sale of your bulbs. Display them in connection with the bulbs; fill them with bulbs and sell as a unit, offer as premiums, door prizes, etc.

Outside Length	Width at Instep	Price per Pair
14-15"	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ -5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	\$3.00
13-14"	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ -5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	2.75
12-13"	5 -5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	2.50
11-12"	4 -5 "	2.25

(Net f.o.b. Ottawa, Kansas)

#### THE EASY WAY TO SELL TULIPS



Bartigon. Bright red.  
Golden Harvest. Yellow  
Princess Elizabeth. Pink

Dillenburg. Salmon-orange  
The Black Tulip. Darkest.  
White Queen. Pure white.

Packed in a strong sunny-yellow display box, beautifully embossed and decorated in bright attention-getting red. Shows up wonderfully in both daylight and artificial light.

#### WILLIS' NEW TULIP DISPLAY BOX

25 Dozen (300) First Size  
DUTCH TULIP BULBS

\$13.50 EACH

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SELL-\$25.00 to \$30.00 (10¢ as low as \$1.00 a dozen.)

MARKUP-45% to 55%.

DELIVERY-September.

SELLING SEASON-Sept. to Dec.

PICTURES-Full color pictures on box.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS-Enough for every customer

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# HEMEROCALLIS

## DAYLILIES

By means of hybridization and selection, a wonderful new race of Hemerocallis has been created in recent years. There are so many hundreds of varieties that one who wants only a few becomes confused. For this reason, we are offering a selection of some of the best varieties in various colors to give you a succession of bloom from early summer until late fall.

Prices: \$1.50 per 10; \$12.00 per 100; \$100.00 per 1000, except as noted (\*). (300 alike or assorted at 1000 rate)

\* Hyperion \$2.50 per 10; \$18.00 per 100

August Pioneer. Chrome-yellow flushed red on outer half of petals. August-September. 35 inches.

\*Hyperion. Considered by many to be finest of all. Large waxy flowers of canary-yellow. July-August. 48 inches.

Kwanso flore plena. Rich orange, double petaled.

Margaret Perry. Brilliant flowers of orange-scarlet lined yellow. July-August. 48 inches.

Middendorffiana. Rich orange-yellow.

Mikado. Large rich orange with deep mahogany-red throat. June-July. 36 inches.

Mrs. W. H. Wyman. Soft yellow. July-August. 42 inches.

Ophir. Deep golden-yellow, 5 inch flowers. As many as 25 to 30 to a stem. 50 inches.

Thunbergi. Pale yellow flowers, evening blooming, sweet scented. July-August. 36 inches.

Mixed Varieties.

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# GERMAN IRIS

## IRIS GERMANICA

\$1.50 per 10; \$12.00 per 100; \$100.00 per 1000  
(300 alike or assorted at 1000 rate)

Baldwin. Dark purple, one of the best.

Black Douglas. Black-purple self, full and ruffled, blooms profusely on branching stems.

California Gold. Splendid deep yellow, clear color. Large flowers freely produced.

Crystal Beauty. Gorgeous pure white. Perfect shape and flowers freely.

Dalmatica. Light lavender.

Frieda Mohr. Deep pink tone.

Honorabilis. Gold and mahogany brown.

Indian Chief. One of the finest red iris.

Leota. Creamy white.

Missouri. Strong medium blue in tone; large flowers of heavy substance.

October Blaze. Brilliant red tone, fall blooming.

Roseway. Deep reddish pink, orange beard.

Snowking. White with gold throat.

Violacea Grandiflora. Rich violet purple.

War Eagle. Daphne-pink standards, dahlia-carmine falls, bronzy beard.

# IRIS OCHROLEUCA

## YELLOW BAND IRIS

\$2.10 per 10; \$18.00 per 100. The best iris for cutting.  
Blooms after German Iris and before Japanese Iris.

Giganteum. White standards and falls with gold band down center of falls.

# IRIS PUMILA

## DWARF IRIS

\$1.80 per 100; \$15.00 per 100.

Lt. Chavagnac. Pansy-violet, fragrant everblooming.

Max. Beautiful ruffled yellow. 6 inches.

Mignonette. White tinted pinkist mauve.

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P E O N I E S

"COUNTRY CLUB BRAND"

Stock No.

70-W 3 year old Peony Roots.

All large, double flowering.  
Put up in attractive bright yellow  
packages with waterproof lining and  
transparent top. Large four color  
illustrations and complete planting  
instructions on each package. Pack-  
ages are approximately 11" high and  
3" in diameter. Shipping weight  
about 1 lb.

Per package. . . . . \$ .35

Edulis Superba, clear deep pink.

Felix Crousse, bright ruby-red.

Festiva Maxima, large, early, white.

Karl Rosenfield, brilliant crimson.

Mons. Jules Elie, rose-pink, very large.

Shipments begin early in September.

Minimum shipment: 30 packages; order in multiples  
of 5.

Terms: Net 30 days.

Note: Peonies usually sell in the following pro-  
portions: 45% red, 35% pink, 20% white.





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P E R E N N I A L S

Shipments begin approximately September 15.  
(Please order in multiples of 5 of a variety.)  
Minimum shipment: 50 packages.

These perennials are listed in order of sales.

Stock No.

30-W WRAPPED INDIVIDUALLY in polyethylene coated paper.  
Packed in pure peat moss under pressure. Labeled  
with colored pictures of the bloom, and planting  
instructions. Shipping weight about 8 oz.

Per package . . . . . \$ .18

Chrysanthemums. Hardy varieties for the garden.

<u>Crimson King</u> , red.	<u>Snowdrift</u> , white.
<u>Pink Beauty</u> , pink.	<u>Goldfinch</u> , yellow.
<u>Bronze Beauty</u> , bronze.	

Asters. Hardy, fall blooming, many blossoms,  
very showy.

<u>Queen Mary</u> , blue.	<u>Climax</u> , white.
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Iris. Tall Bearded, spring blooming. We  
offer some of the finest varieties in a  
pleasing color range.

Purple Queen, deep purple.  
Plumeri, coppery-rose  
Herant, bright blue.  
Maori King, yellow and maroon.  
Ivorine, white and gold.

Mallow Marvels. Large flowers, mixed colors, pink, red, white.

Aquilegia (Columbine). Choice mixed colors.

Hemerocallis (Day Lily). Large, yellow lily-like flowers.

Showy Sedum (Stonecrop). Brilliant pink flowers.

Blackberry (Leopard Flower). Orange spotted red.

Blue Daylily (Funkia). Large leaves, blue flowers.

Sweet Peas, Perennial. Mixed colors, red, white, pink.

Hollyhocks. Choice of red, pink, yellow.



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